

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 20 public bills, H.R. 825–844; and 24 resolutions, H.J. Res. 44; H. Con. Res. 20–23; and H. Res. 108–114, 116–127 were introduced. **Pages H1390–91**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page H1392**

Reports Filed: A report was filed on January 3, 2011 as follows:

Survey of Activities of the House Committee on Rules, 111th Congress (H. Rept. 111–714).

Reports were filed on February 22, 2011 as follows:

H.R. 4, to repeal the expansion of information reporting requirements for payments of \$600 or more to corporations, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 112–15);

H.R. 705, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the expansion of information reporting requirements to payments made to corporations, payments for property and other gross proceeds, and rental property expense payments, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 112–16).

Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 368, to amend title 28, United States Code, to clarify and improve certain provisions relating to the removal of litigation against Federal officers or agencies to Federal courts, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 112–17, Pt. 1);

H.R. 662, to provide an extension of Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other programs funded out of the Highway Trust Fund pending enactment of a multiyear law reauthorizing such programs (H. Rept. 112–18, Pt. 1);

H. Res. 115 providing for consideration of the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 44) making further continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2011, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 112–19). **Pages H1389–90**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Latta to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H1365**

Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest chaplain, Reverend Gene Hemrick, Washington Theological Union, Washington DC. **Page H1365**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Federal Courts Jurisdiction and Venue Clarification Act of 2011: H.R. 394, amended, to amend title 28, United States Code, to clarify the jurisdiction

of the Federal courts, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 402 yeas with none voting “no”, Roll No. 148; **Pages H1367–70, H1374–75**

Securing Aircraft Cockpits Against Lasers Act of 2011: H.R. 386, amended, to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide penalties for aiming laser pointers at airplanes; **Pages H1370–71**

Removal Clarification Act of 2011: H.R. 368, amended, to amend title 28, United States Code, to clarify and improve certain provisions relating to the removal of litigation against Federal officers or agencies to Federal courts, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 396 yeas to 4 nays, Roll No. 150; and **Pages H1371–72, H1375–76**

Federal Restricted Buildings and Grounds Improvement Act of 2011: H.R. 347, amended, to correct and simplify the drafting of section 1752 (relating to restricted buildings or grounds) of title 18, United States Code, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 399 yeas to 3 nays, Roll No. 149. **Pages H1372–73, H1375**

Recess: The House recessed at 2:45 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m. **Page H1374**

Member Resignation: Read a letter from Representative Harman, wherein she resigned as Representative for the Thirty-Sixth Congressional District of California, effective today. **Page H1374**

Whole Number of the House: The Speaker announced to the House that, in light of the resignation of the gentlewoman from California, Ms. Harman, the whole number of the House is adjusted to 433. **Page H1374**

Providing for a recess of the House for a joint meeting to receive The Honorable Julia Gillard, Prime Minister of Australia: Agreed by unanimous consent that it may be in order at any time on Wednesday, March 9, 2011 for the Speaker to declare a recess, subject to the call of the Chair, for the purpose of receiving in joint meeting The Honorable Julia Gillard, Prime Minister of Australia. **Page H1376**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yeas-and-nays votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages 1374–75, H1375, H1375–76. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

Committee Meetings

FEDERAL REGULATION ESTABLISHMENT REVIEW

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts, Commercial and Administrative Law held a hearing on the Administrative Procedure Act (APA) of 1946 at 65—Is Reform Needed to Create Jobs, Promote Economic Growth and Reduce Costs? Testimony was heard from Susan Dudley, Research Professor of Public Policy and Public Administration, Director, Regulatory Studies Center, the George Washington Institute of Public Policy; and public witnesses.

FURTHER CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: The Committee granted, by voice vote, a closed rule waiving all points of order against consideration of the joint resolution. The rule provides that the joint resolution shall be considered as read. The rule provides that all points of order against provisions in the joint resolution are waived. The rule provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule provides one motion to recommit. Testimony was heard from Chairman Harold Roger, Rep. Norm Dicks, and Delegate Eleanor Holmes Norton.

PRESIDENTIAL LIBRARIES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform held a joint hearing on America's Presidential Libraries. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the National Archives and Records Administration: David S. Ferriero, Archivist of the United States; Thomas Putnam, Director, John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum; R. Duke Blackwood, Director, Ronald Reagan Presidential Library; Thomas Schwartz, Historian, State of Illinois, Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum; and public witnesses.

COMMITTEE BUDGET

Committee on Ways and Means: Met and approved the Committee's budget for the 112th Congress.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D69)

S. 188, to designate the United States courthouse under construction at 98 West First Street, Yuma, Arizona, as the "John M. Roll United States Court-

house". Signed on February 17, 2011. (Public Law 112-2)

H.R. 514, to extend expiring provisions of the USA PATRIOT Improvement and Reauthorization Act of 2005 and Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act of 2004 relating to access to business records, individual terrorists as agents of foreign powers, and roving wiretaps until December 8, 2011. Signed on February 25, 2011. (Public Law 112-3)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, MARCH 1, 2011

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Department of Defense, to hold hearings to examine the impacts of a long-term continuing resolution on the Department of Defense and proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2012 for the Department of Defense, 10:30 a.m., SD-192.

Committee on Armed Services: To hold hearings to examine U.S. Special Operations Command and U.S. Central Command in review of the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2012 and the Future Years Defense Program; with the possibility of a closed session in SVC-217 following the open session, 9:30 a.m., SD-106.

Full Committee, organizational business meeting to consider committee's rules of procedure for the 112th Congress, 4:30 p.m., SR-222.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: To hold hearings to examine the semiannual Monetary Policy Report to the Congress, 10 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on the Budget: To hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2012 for education, 10 a.m., SD-608.

Committee on Finance: To hold hearings to examine changes in the law and tax environment since the "Tax Reform Act of 1986", 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: To hold hearings to examine breaking the cycle of North Korean provocations, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Contracting Oversight, to hold hearings to examine public relations contracts at the General Services Administration's Heartland Region, 10 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on Rules and Administration: Business meeting to mark up the Omnibus Budget for Senate committees, 10 a.m., SR-301.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: To hold joint hearings to examine a legislative presentation from Disabled American Veterans, 2 p.m., 345, Cannon Building.

Select Committee on Intelligence: Closed business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.